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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5122

Offered June 12, 2014

*Commending Pamela Graves.*

Patron—Webert

WHEREAS, Pamela Graves of Fauquier County, a dedicated educator who has touched countless lives throughout her career, received the Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award from the *Washington Post's* Educational Foundation in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award was established to recognize teachers who have made exceptional contributions to their field and inspired creativity and a passion for lifelong learning among their students; Pamela Graves was one of 20 teachers in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area to receive the prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, a native of the Commonwealth, Pamela Graves has lived throughout the United States and earned a bachelor's degree from George Mason University and a master's degree from Walden University; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Graves discovered her passion for education while volunteering at Margaret M. Pierce Elementary School; she began her career as a teacher at Central Elementary School in 1993 and transferred to James G. Brumfield Elementary School in 2001; and

WHEREAS, over the course of a distinguished 20-year career, Pamela Graves helped prepare countless students for further education, careers, and responsible citizenship as a fourth, fifth, and sixth grade teacher; she offered her wisdom and experience to numerous committees and facilitated new opportunities as a sponsor of several student organizations; and

WHEREAS, known as a caring and devoted mentor, Pamela Graves has inspired students to believe in themselves and achieve their full potential and helped several colleagues develop leadership skills and become better teachers; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Graves is active in the community, generously offering her time and talents to Eagle Hill Equine Rescue; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Pamela Graves on receiving the Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Pamela Graves as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her commitment to helping students achieve greatness.

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